

Appendix A



Beaverton Police Department Amber Alert Checklist

1. Do you have cause to believe a child has been ABDUCTED?
☐ If Yes, go to question 2.
☐ If No, **DO NOT INITIATE AN AMBER ALERT.**
2. Is the abduction one in which the child is 17 years of age or younger?
☐ If Yes, answer question 6.
☐ If No, answer question 3.
3. Is the abduction one in which the victim has a proven mental or physical disability?
☐ If Yes, answer question 6.
☐ If No, answer question 4.
4. Was the child abduction witnessed by anyone and do we have a description of the suspect or suspect vehicle?
☐ If Yes, answer question 6.
☐ If No, answer question 5.
5. Did the abduction involve acts of violence?
☐ If Yes, **INITIATE AN AMBER ALERT.**
☐ If No, answer question 6.
6. Do you believe the child to be in danger of serious bodily harm?
☐ If Yes, **INITIATE AN AMBER ALERT.**
☐ If No, do not activate the alert.

The alert must contain a description of the child and the suspect or suspect vehicle, as well as details of the abduction. Law enforcement should carefully consider *not* initiating an alert if there is not specific information for the public to use to assist in the recovery. Do not use an Amber Alert for runaways or parental abductions unless the child is in danger of serious bodily harm or death.

***If the incident fits the criteria for an Amber Alert notify
the on duty supervisor immediately***

Reporting Officer

Date

Case Number